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SUBJ: SUDAN: 1989 ANNUAL TERRORISM REPORT

REFS: A) STATE 363024, B) KHARTOUM 11147, C) KHARTOUM 10671

11. THE 1989 ANNUAL TERRORIST REPORT FOR SUDAN IS AS FOLLOWS.

12. THE APPEAL PROCEDURE CONTINUED IN 1989 FOR THE FIVE DEFENDANTS SENTENCED TO HANG FOR THE MAY 15, 1988, BOMBINGS AT THE ACROPOLE HOTEL AND THE SUDAN CLUB, WHICH TOOK SEVEN LIVES. ON SEPTEMBER 25, SUDAN'S DEPUTY CHIEF JUSTICE ABDUL MONFIM AL NAHAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE CHARGE IN THE CASE WOULD BE CHANGED FROM SECTION 252 OF SUDAN'S PENAL CODE TO SECTION 251 (REF C). THIS CHANGE COULD PERMIT THE DEFENDANTS TO ESCAPE THE DEATH PENALTY IF THE VICTIMS' KIN ACCEPTED COMPENSATION (DIA) FROM THE GUILTY PARTIES. IN OCTOBER THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE KIN OF THE VICTIMS (FIVE BRITISH AND TWO SUDANESE) WOULD BE ASKED TO INDICATE BEFORE JANUARY 3, 1990, WHETHER THEY WOULD PARDON THE MURDERERS, WITH OR WITHOUT COMPENSATION (REF B). IF THE KIN DID NOT RESPOND OR REFUSED PARDON, THE COURT WOULD ORDER THE EXECUTIONS.

13. THE PLO MAINTAINS A CAMP NEAR SUDAN'S RED SEA COAST FOR FIGHTERS EVACUATED FROM LEBANON IN 1982. IN 1989 THIS CAMP MAINTAINED ITS PREVIOUS LEVELS OF SIZE AND ACTIVITY. THE GOVERNMENT OBSERVES ACTIVITY AT THE CAMP CLOSELY.

14. THE GOVERNMENT MADE NO PUBLIC STATEMENTS IN 1989 IN SUPPORT OF A TERRORIST-SUPPORTING COUNTRY ON A TERRORIST ISSUE.

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